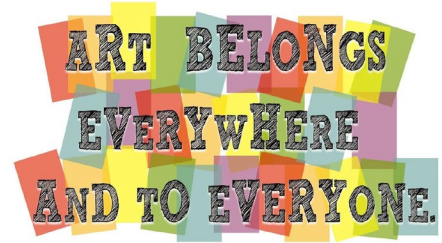




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PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION	July 17, 2025
MEETING MINUTES	Library Rogers Room, ZOOM

Minutes approved as corrected 08.21.2025

1. CALLED TO ORDER:	
	Dana Eytzen, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.
	ROLL CALL: Dana Eytzen, Brian Harris, Brenna Cooper, Pat Truax, Linda Taylor
	ABSENT:
	EXCUSED: Kathleen Leatham, Emily Lux, Susan Dieter-Robinson
	STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Winters
	COUNCIL PRESENT: No
2. PUBLIC COMMENT:	
	None
3. CONSENT AGENDA:	
	May 15 minutes Pat moves to accept minutes as they are, Brenna seconds Unanimous yes
4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:	
	None
5. Discussion/Decision Items:	
	<p>1. Plaque Options and Installation Costs</p> <p>Dana passed the example for the plaques around to PAC for review. Dana stated that if the example was acceptable then she would put in the order and include the plaque for Nate’s mural as well. PAC members present agreed that the design was good and the price was very cost effective. Colleen asked if the final version would be readable enough and Dana mentioned that she edited the final text so that the increased size and fewer words would work well.</p> <p>Pat moves to vote on adding to plaque budget of \$232 from discretionary funds (installation and Nate’s mural) and Brenna seconds. Vote was a unanimous yes.</p>

2. Long-term Art Acquisition Goals

Colleen mentioned that there are some things in the works for the downtown area: what has been approved is the opportunity for artwork on four different corners of the downtown area. It would be an opportunity for artwork in downtown and the city is hopeful that PAC would be interested in doing this. The understanding is that the four places would be in front of Urban Decanter, in front of Giudettis, by Pizza Schmizza and the corner where UC is. She said that thus far all that's agreed on is that those are the four spaces. Colleen asks if PAC is interested, and if so then what would that look like? Permanent installations? Rotating art? Also, once those have been decided, then would there be a theme? This is Colleen's understanding from Jesse. Funds would come from the TLT funds already promised to PAC (\$20k for next two years combined, all that's been approved so far).

Pat mentioned that for one piece, the cost may take up more than just one year's worth of funds.

Pat mentioned that she would really like to see a clock and it could be a focal point. Dana mentioned that it would be interesting to do a piece that was created by an artist and if a clock could be incorporated into it. Maybe do one big piece instead of four smaller things.

Colleen stated that Jesse spoke about possibly using rotating art and PAC members seemed amenable to that idea, though it has been tried in the past. Brenna mentioned that PAC tried in the past and got no response from artists. Dana said that the rotating art idea would be less expensive – PAC/City would not own the art but we would pay artists for time(maybe). Pat wonders if we pay the artists or if we just ensure the art. Colleen mentioned that Jesse stated that if PAC was interested in the rotating art, then PAC should reach out to other cities for more information.

Dana suggests researching some options. Linda volunteered to contact Lake Oswego to ask about their process (how much they pay artists, how it works, etc.) Linda asks if possible to approve general interest and hold official vote for later and PAC agrees. Pat also volunteers to research clock idea (prices, designs, etc.)

3. Festival of the Arts

Linda brought schedules for the August 6 festival and passed out copies to PAC members. She mentioned that last month was a great turnout and there was lots of participation and engagement. Volunteers also showed a lot of enthusiasm. Linda stated that there was a huge wind storm and a big gust of wind threw the table and various items over the ground, breaking some ceramic pieces. Linda also passed out the volunteer sign-up sheet and asked PAC members to add their names if they could.

4. Chalk Art Festival Sponsorship Application Request

	<p>Dana said Valley Art is asking for \$500 and asks PAC for discussion. Linda says it is important to keep supporting them every year – the Chalk Art Festival is a huge part of Forest Grove.</p> <p>Brian makes motion to approve sponsorship to Valley Art. Linda seconds and the vote is unanimous “yes”.</p>
6.	<u>INFORMATION / UPDATE ITEMS:</u>
	<p>1. Lincoln Park Timeline Nate mentioned in correspondence that the start time would most likely be mid-August.</p> <p>2. Vacancy on Commission Colleen mentioned that we have a vacancy and that the city has agreed that they will go back and talk to a previous applicant. Dana got in touch with PAC member Kristin Cast to ask whether or not she wanted to continue and Kristin had asked to resign.</p>
7.	<u>B/C COMMUNICATIONS:</u>
8.	<u>STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:</u>
	<p>Colleen informed PAC that summer reading signups at the library broke the record, and there is more time to go. Also, the summer library event with Red Yarn received positive feedback from community and staff and there was a great turnout.</p> <p>Colleen also mentioned that Nathan is resigning and that there will be two other vacancies at the library in the future</p> <p>Colleen also updated PAC – Levy on ballot in November for replacement of current WCCLS levy. If goes through as proposed there will be .15 cent increase and also money will be dispersed differently. Other component of ballot measure would allow county to take over selection of new material in libraries.</p>
9.	<u>COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:</u>
	Not present

10.	<u>ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:</u>
	Next meeting August 21 st – 5pm @ Rogers Room in Library
11.	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> The meeting was adjourned by Dana at 6pm Respectfully Submitted by Brian Harris